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" 3 " 3 "

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [21

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PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND.—
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J. R. M. SMITH,
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Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [22

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [23

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Hongkong, 4th February, 1904. [B

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PAID-UP CAPITAL .....Sh. Taels 5,000,000

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H. FIGGE,
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Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [25

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Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [19

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Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [18

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Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [65

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [49

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1903. [26

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FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	JAVA... S. Barcham.....	About 30th March	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE. (Passing through the Inland Sea).	FORMOSA ..... B. H. W. Snow.....	About 5th April	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &C.....	BALLAARAT ..... C. R. Longden, R.N.R....	Noon, 9th April	*See Special Advertisement.*
SHANGHAI.....	MALTA ..... C. L. Daniel	About 10th April	Freight and Passage.

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904 [4

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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
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*HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 25th May.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 8th June
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 22nd June.
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Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [3

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Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903. [41

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Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [42

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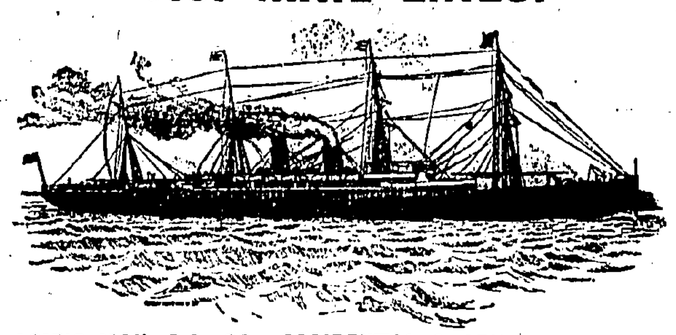

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"DORIC"	4,784	,,	...THURSDAY, 14th April, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	11,284	,,	...SATURDAY, 30th April, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	4,352	,,	...SATURDAY, 7th May, at Noon.
"KOREA"	11,276	,,	...TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
"GAELIC"	4,205	,,	...THURSDAY, 2nd June, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	6,307	,,	...SATURDAY, 11th June, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [1

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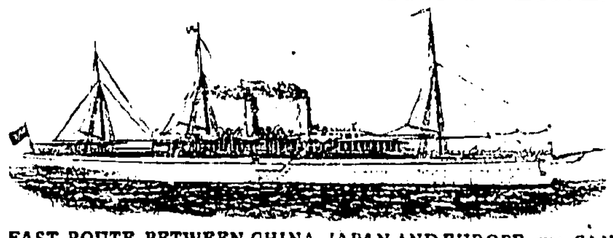

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,, "ATHENIAN"	3,882	,, ...	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
,, "EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	,, ...	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
,, "TARTAR"	4,425	,, ...	SATURDAY, 21st May.

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
ABESSINIA ..... Filler	ST. NAZAIRE, HAVRE & HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	2nd April.	Freight.
BRISGAVIA..... Schülke	HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	12th April.	Freight.
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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [13

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TJIMAHI.....	JAPAN	First half of April	S'PORE & JAVA PORTS	First half of April

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Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [44

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900. [32

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [404

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF HO MUI SZ, OTHERWISE HO LIN SHING, LATE OF VICTORIA, HONGKONG, *Deceased.*

TENDERS will be received by the Undersigned, at the Registry of the Supreme Court House until Noon of WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1904, for the purchase of the Business of the I WO Pawnshop, of No. 86, Hollywood Road, Victoria aforesaid, including the GOODWILL, STOCK-IN-TRADE, SIGNBOARD, BOOK DEBTS, FURNITURE and effects therein.

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [336

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [54

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KING EDWARD VII LODGE No. 910.
(GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND).

THE Members of the above order are terminating their DANCE SEASON by Holding a Ball in the CITY HALL on the 14th APRIL, Tickets $5.00 each. Gentlemen requiring tickets are requested to obtain them early, as they are limited, and can be had from Mr. J. H. OXBERRY, Hongkong Hotel, and Mr. J. J. BLAKE, Hon. Secretary R.A.O.B. Club.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [427

CAMPBELL, MOORE AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 29, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 31st March, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts, for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

M. A. A. SOUZA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [370

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company, will be held in the Office of the General Managers, No. 14, Des Vœux Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, 6th April, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 2nd April, at 1 P.M., until Wednesday, 6th April.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [397

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that, on and after This Date, they can obtain SCRIP CERTIFICATES for SHARES of the NEW ISSUE in EXCHANGE for HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK RECEIPTS on Application at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1904. [257

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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1902. [88

SOME ISSUES IN THE STRUGGLE.

That Russia is the evil genius among nations is believed by five out of every six men you meet in the railway carriage of a morning. Though in the great conflict between the Muscovite and the Jap we, as a nation, will maintain our strict neutrality, there is no doubt that the news of every Russian reverse will be hailed with much demonstration throughout the country, writes Mr. John Foster Fraser.

Exactly why we should have a fondness for Japan and a dislike of Russia is on the surface clear enough. We have a natural dislike of Russian methods of government, ignoring that the Russian is largely Eastern in his composition, and that he rules according to Eastern ideas, and not according to Western. Admitting that in many respects Russia is far behind other European nations, the fact stands out that within the last 100 years she has made a progress which is phenomenal, and which she would never have made had there not been autocracy behind it all. We have imbedded in our minds the belief that Russia is cruel, and every story about harshness in Siberia has been readily swallowed. Whatever may have been the conditions in the past there is no doubt that at the present time the prison system in Siberia compares well with that of any Western land. A thing that most British people do not remember is that although the government is autocratic, there is a leaven of democracy in it all. The strongest man in Russia at the present day, M. Witte, began life as a railway porter, and Prince Khilkoff, the Minister of Ways and Communications, was an ordinary mechanic who learnt engineering at Birkenhead.

Japan appeals to us because it is a picturesque, fascinating country; because the Japanese themselves are among the marvels of the world in that they threw off their Orientalism and put on the Western garb, and that they are plucky and square their fists without hesitation in the face of the Muscovite. What, however, is not generally recognised is that the Japanese can be as cruel as any nation on earth. We saw that in the Chino-Japanese war. The hatred toward foreigners is most marked. Though, of course, Japan has many enthusiastic admirers the fact nevertheless remains that the British residents in Japan are usually its severest critics and that in business transactions the Japanese do not, as a race, bear a reputation for high commercial morality

I am one of those inclined to believe we took a false step when we entered into an alliance with the Japanese. For years Japan has been preparing for conflict. Her whole ambition has been to have a bout with the Russians. I agree Russia has broken all her promises in regard to the evacuation of Manchuria. But nobody who knows that part of the world could ever have thought that Russia intended to leave the land. She desired Manchuria because she wished to extend her empire. Japan, while resisting Russia on the plea that it is to maintain the integrity of the Chinese empire, and that she is opposed to the obvious intention of the Tsar and his advisers to ultimately annex Korea, has but one aim, to secure these two countries for herself.

Both nations have a great deal of right in their cause. Russia has legitimate ambition to have an outlet into warm water, so that she be not hedged in with ice for nearly half the year. On the other hand, Japan has a rapidly-increasing population. She desires to colonise, and she sees that if she allows the opportunity to go by of getting Manchuria and Korea within her grip, then her hopes of becoming a world Power will pass for ever.

When in a sort of semi-disguise, I travelled across Manchuria to see what the Russians were doing in that region, I was amazed at the way they were settling the country. The railway line was nearing completion; towns and villages were springing into existence; commerce was being opened up, and the only parallel I could think of was a stretch of Western America under a "boom." Frequent writers refer to the Trans-Siberian line in Manchuria, and to the way it is laid. The railway in Manchuria is quite distinct from that in Siberia. While that in Siberia is Government property, the one across Manchuria belongs to a company, though the Russian Government is behind it. The line in Siberia is quite as well laid as the ordinary trans-American lines. But the line in Manchuria is, for long stretches, most uneven, and is constantly getting out of repair. The bridges, however, are exceeding fine. Russian troops are taking particular pains to guard the bridge across the Sungari, I crossed this bridge the day after it could be walked across. Later I saw the building of the bridge across the Nuni—5,000 Chinese and 2,000 Russians working day and night, seven days in the week, pushing it to completion.

Though in national ethics our Government has been justified in protesting against the continued occupation of Manchuria, the protests have been little other than waste paper, for Downing-street has known all along Russia would not evacuate, and Russia knew well that we had not sufficient interests in that part of the world to take any active steps to oust her. We really have got no direct ground of issue with Russia, though Japan, with an eye to the future, undoubtedly has.

The legitimate fear in many minds is that we will become entangled in the controversy. We have been doing our best to keep on friendly terms with France, so that the French will think twice before going to the aid of their Russian ally. If she did we would be compelled, under the terms of our agreement, to take sides with Japan, and face both France and Russia in war.

That Japan will ultimately win in the struggle I am by no means confident. At the start she is almost certain to have the advantage. There is full reason to think that should the fleets of the two countries meet one another, that of Russia will be worsted. Japan will then land her troops. I should not be surprised, however, if for several months there is no land fighting. Russia will back into Manchuria, towards Siberia, destroying the country before her, and Japan, however excellent her transport, will not have the power to follow the enemy into the wilderness.

Russia has a distinct disadvantage at the present time, in that winter is now at its severest, and getting troops across Siberia and Manchuria is a task to describe which the word colossal is a feeble term. What Russia will probably do is to allow Japan to take possession of Korea and seize the Manchuria seaboard. Maintaining so huge an army will be a tremendous drain on Japanese resources. She will probably allow her to bleed financially for some months, and then, in early summer, she will bring a very alavanche of troops upon those of her pugnacious little foe, and, not by warlike ability, but by sheer force of numbers will crush Japan from her hold on the Asiatic mainland.

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NO LESS THAN FOUR MEDALS,

which means that he has not missed a single day's attendance at school for four consecutive years.

The mother of these exemplary children showed her little daughter to a *Sun* representative. She is a bright-eyed girl of eleven—the picture of childish health and intelligence. "That is my little daughter

LITTLE ELLEN WILLIAMS.

(*From a photograph by E. Salomon, Highbury.*)

you are inquiring about," said Mrs. Williams, "and she is now one of the healthiest of my family. She went to school early, and is very studious. She was very eager to go to school, but one day we noticed that she had a nasty twitching about her legs. One leg she complained of as being very painful, and then I noticed that the other leg would not keep still. It kept moving and twisting about, and, so far as I could see, she had lost all power to keep it still.

"I consulted a doctor. He said she must leave off going to school, and keep very quiet. I thought it would break her heart, because that meant giving up winning

HER MEDAL THAT YEAR.

The doctor said she was suffering from infantile paralysis. It seemed to me like St. Vitus' dance, because it first began with the twitching of the muscles of her legs, and sometimes it would go right up one side of her body, into her arms and up the side of her face."

"Did she improve," asked the *Sun* man, "by staying at home?"

"No, just the reverse, because gradually from her legs—of which she lost the use—the twitching spread until it got into her hands, and she was quite unable to keep them still, and at last she became so very bad that I had to put her to bed. She was in a very bad state, and I was afraid she would go into a decline, but as I came downstairs from the bedroom one day I picked up a little book that had been pushed under the door, and finding it referred to Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people, I began looking through it.

"The child was very bad at this time, twisting and convulsed all over her legs, body, arms and face; once or twice I even noticed it in her eyes. But in less than two or three days after commencing to take the pills she began to improve. She could sit up in bed, and the attacks became less severe, and before the end of her first bottle she was talking of going back to school. Her appetite was better, the twitching in the face had stopped, she had got back the use of legs, and when she had nearly finished the second box nothing remained but an occasional little shake of the hand.

"She went back to school, and by the time she had quite finished the box she was entirely recovered, and now there is no stronger or healthier child in the school."

If this child had been dosed by an imitation or substitute for Dr. Williams' pink pills she would be suffering still. It is the genuine pills bearing Dr. Williams' name (and to be obtained post free for two and ninepence from Dr. Williams' medicine company, Holborn-viaduct, London, if readers have any difficulty in purchasing the genuine at shops) which have cured so many cases of anæmia, bile, consumption, fits, gout, indigestion, kidney disease, paralysis, locomotor ataxy, St. Vitus' dance and the frequent ailments of ladies. Substitutes cure nothing. [38

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 25th March, 1904. [421

THE EUROPEAN BAKERY would be glad to take ORDERS *now* for
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Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [430

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [386

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [254

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THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1896. [52

Notice of Firm.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

I HAVE This Day RESUMED CHARGE of the above Company's business.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [437

Mails.

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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [12

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NOTICE.

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Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [9

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 5th day of April, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Bonham Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Inland Lot No. 1,714	Bonham Road	36.6	118	86	53.6	5,000	34	1,500

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [425

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 5th day of April, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Lai-Chi-Kok, in the New Territory of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for the rest of the term of lease from China or for one further term of 75 years if competent for the Government so to make it.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			feet	feet	feet	feet		$	$
1	New Kowloon Marine Lot No. 2.	Lai Chi Kok	224	700	687	816	345,098	2,578	10,378

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [426

Masonic.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE,
No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 29th instant, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [413

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY, the 2nd April, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [414

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE,"

Captain H. N. Vyoyan, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st prox. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st inst, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [431

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

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FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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From Persian Gulf, &c., *ex* B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 31st instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [4

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLEBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENTURRET,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd prox. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [432

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S.S. "GLENTURRET" are hereby notified that owing to the steamer having been on fire during the voyage, a GENERAL AVERAGE BOND must be SIGNED, and 10 % of the value of the Cargo deposited with the undersigned before delivery can be obtained.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [433

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"CHINA,"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered by THURSDAY, the 31st instant, at 10 A.M., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

E. W. TILDEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [1

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SUEVIA,"

Captain von Döhren, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [420

S.S. "SALAZIE."

COMPAGNIE DES-MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London, ex s.s. *Memphis* and *Orinlse*, from Havre, ex s.s. *Memphis*, and from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Ville de Bordeaux*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 10 A.M., TO-DAY, the 23rd instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 29th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [9

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MARRIAGE.

On the 21st March, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rt. Rev. J. B. Ost, JOHN SOWDEN SYMONS, to ANNIE GARDNER BLAIR, elder daughter of Captain and Mrs. T. Johns, of Shanghai.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 28, 1904.

THE LABOUR QUESTION.

The movement against the introduction of Chinese labour into the Transvaal has almost attained national dimensions. The subject has deeply stirred up the British people at home, and at many meetings organised against the proposal the conduct of the Government on the matter has been strongly censured. No public gathering could possibly be held in England in favour of the introduction of Chinese labour, while in nearly all the great centres of population meetings in opposition to that policy have taken place. The journals have printed column after column bearing upon the subject, and newspaper correspondents seem to have been reaping a small harvest by vigorously attacking the Government upon their policy. Dealing with what he—or the sub-editor—has headed, "the 'Yellow Peril' in the Straits Settlements," an enterprising writer, in the course of an hysterical effusion, admirably illustrates the fact that, since the introduction of Chinese labour into our southern colony the States have continued to flourish. Following this, he alludes to the "hopeless struggle" of the British merchant seeking to establish a new business in Singapore or Penang against Chinese labour, and as a parting hit blindly refers to the 'host of vices' brought by the Celestial when he entered the Straits Settlements. According to Sir Frank Swettenham, however—and we prefer his opinion to that of the penny-a-liner—the result of Chinese labour in developing the mineral resources of the Malay Peninsula, is marvellous. In less than 30 years, four small Malay States, jungle-covered, pathless, unknown, have been turned into flourishing communities with a total revenue of over two millions sterling per annum, a trade of ten millions sterling per annum, 350 miles of excellent railway, thousands of miles of roads and telegraphs, great public buildings, schools, hospitals, waterworks—in fact, all the machinery of the most modern administration—with no debt of any sort and a balance of over one-and-a-half millions, ready to be spent on further railway extension and other works of development. The development of the tin mines in British Malaya is the work of indentured Chinese labourers, and it may safely be said that the same results could not have been obtained with any other class of labour. The revenue raised from the mining industry has paid for the administration generally, and for all the great public works which have placed the Malay States in their present position of enviable prosperity, affording such facilities to planting enterprise of every description that cultivators of all nationalities, Europeans, Malays, Chinese, and Indians, have settled in the country, and if the mines should fail (of which there seems no probability for many years to come) there will then be a settled population of agriculturists. The Straits Settlements Colony, with its great markets on the main line of ocean traffic, holding as they do the gate of the Far Eastern trade, has increased in wealth and importance *pari passu* with their *Hinterland*; for all the imports to and exports from the Federated Malay States pass through the hands of the merchants of Singapore and Penang. With this, the authorities at home and those who have a voice in the matter evidently agree, and, as we have already seen, the House of Lords has rejected a motion put to defer, indefinitely, the introduction of Chinese labour in our newly acquired possession in South Africa. The British Minister to Peking has had notification of the decision, and Sir Ernest Satow has likewise informed Viceroy Wei Kwang Tao, while locally we understand that several firms are interesting themselves over the question of exportation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ONE fatal case of plague (Chinese) occurred to-day at Salisbury Avenue, Tsim Sha Tsui district.

OPERATIONS on an extensive scale are about to be carried out by the whole of the troops in garrison.

ON Saturday the Hongkong Cricket Club beat a united league team of fifteen players by 31 runs. The club scored 162 and the united league 131.

THE British battleships and cruisers left the harbour at two o'clock this afternoon and proceeded to Mirs Bay where they will remain for a few days.

MR. W. J. Tutcher, assistant superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department, is leaving for home with Mrs. Tutcher, on the German mail next Wednesday.

PLAYING under Association rules on Saturday afternoon the navy league teams from the *Albion* and *Cressy* tried conclusions at the Happy Valley. The *Albion* scored three goals and the *Cressy* one.

WE understand that on Friday evening the new German Consul and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. Krueger, gave an entertainment at the German Club, and that on the following night a dance was given by the A.D.C.

THE Portuguese cruiser *Adamastor* arrived at Macao from Lourenço Marques on Friday evening. She is lying in the outer roadstead, not being able to approach the harbour nearer than seven miles on account of its silted condition.

ON Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 1st, 2nd and 4th April, the General Post Office will be open for one hour only, i.e., from 8 a.m. till 9 a.m. All outgoing mails will be closed at 9 a.m. The money order office will be entirely closed.

WE have received from the Vice-President of the Great Northern Railway Company, St. Paul, Minn., a copy of an article describing the design and building of the 21,000 tons steamships *Minnesota* and *Dakota* which are intended for the Pacific trade.

THERE was a large attendance of ladies and gentlemen at the Metropole Hotel on Saturday evening when Mr. Jas. Christie, the proprietor, gave a ball in celebration of his taking over the premises. A naval band was engaged and a most pleasant evening was spent.

ON the 18th inst., the French minister at Peking notified the Wai Wu Pu that the Kwangsi rebellion was still unsuppressed, especially at Nanning, Ching Yuen, Shu and En, where the rebels have their centres, and that prompt measures should be taken to suppress it.

THE following is the return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 27th March, 1904:—

	Library	Museum
Non-Chinese	272	83
Chinese	102	2,742
Total	374	2,825

IT transpired recently that a Japanese squadron, consisting of the battleships *Fuji* and *Yashima* and the cruisers *Chitose* and *Takasago*, visited Haiyang Island in the Bay of Corea on the 28th ultimo. The landing of the bluejackets surprised the islanders, who number about 50, and who had no previous knowledge that war was in progress. The Russians left the island, it appears, on the 23rd ultimo. One signal flag and a large quantity of coal belonging to them was found there. The Japanese were in occupation for an hour only.—*N. C. D. News.*

A VERY interesting arbitration is to be opened at Shanghai on 22nd instant before the Chief Justice, Sir Hiram Wilkinson. When H. E. Li Hung-chang was in England he was introduced by Lord Salisbury at Hatfield to Miss Mortlock, a portrait painter, and in some way it was arranged that she should paint H.E. Li's portrait, which she did. She is now claiming one thousand guineas from the Grand Secretary's estate, her counsel being Messrs. Dowdall, Hanson, and McNeill. Messrs. Drummond, White-Cooper, and Phillips have been retained as counsel for the defence.

THE arrival of the popular river steamer *Heungshan* from Macao to-day was considerably delayed on account of the fog. So dense was it on the steamer leaving Macao at eight o'clock this morning that considerable caution had to be exercised by the experienced hand at the helm, Capt. Jones, who had a difficult task in piloting the huge boat through the narrow fairway in Macao harbour. For a considerable time the steamer proceeded dead slow and when she got near Lantao so dense was the fog that the skipper decided to drop anchor. Half an hour later the fog lifted and with a clearer atmosphere it was safe to resume the voyage which the *Heungshan* proceeded to do at about noon, arriving at her wharf in Hongkong about a quarter past one.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

IMPORTANT BILLS INTRODUCED.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon in the Council Chamber. Present:—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, F. H. May, C.M.G., Hon. A. M. Thomson, (Acting Colonial Secretary), Hon. Sir Henry Spencer Berkeley, Kt. (Attorney-General), Hon. L. A. M. Johnston (Acting Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Capt. L. A. Barnes-Laurence, R.N. (Harbour Master), Hon. W. Chatham, (Director of Public Works), Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., Hon. Wei Yuk, and Mr. R. F. Johnston (Acting Clerk of Councils).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL.

The Acting Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes (Nos. 19 and 20) and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Acting Colonial Treasurer seconded and the motion was agreed to.

PAPER.

The Acting Colonial Secretary laid on the table a revised estimate, 1904, in connection with the New Territory Land Court.

PILOTS.

The Harbour Master moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for and regulate the Employment of Pilots. The objects and reasons state:—This Bill is designed with the object of exercising certain control over the existing so-called pilots of this Colony, and thus establish a properly constituted pilot service. While no natural difficulty presents itself in the navigation of these waters it is a well known fact that men are largely employed for the purpose, in vessels using the port, though doubtless also the masters are glad of their services for berthing their vessels, etc. Such being the case it has been deemed expedient that desirable persons only should be employed as pilots, if duly qualified. This Bill makes provision for the same, while it safeguards the service being one of option to the employers.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was carried.

RESIDENTIAL AREA.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance for the reservation of a residential area in the Hill District. The object and reasons are as follows:—The measure has as its object the reservation of that portion of the Island of Hongkong commonly known as "the Peak" as a place of residence for persons other than Chinese. The reservation of this district is desirable in order that a healthy place of residence may be preserved for all those who are accustomed to a temperate climate and to whom life in the tropics presents the disadvantage of an unnatural environment.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Carried.

BANISHMENT.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1882 entitled "The Banishment and Conditional Pardons Ordinance, 1882." The objects and reasons state:—This Bill is to empower the Governor in Council, in the interest of order and good government, to remove from the Colony persons who after they have acquired by naturalization the status of British subjects become a source of danger to the peace, order and good government of the Colony. The Bill provides that in case of the banishment of any naturalized person his status as a British subject shall *ipso facto* be suspended or cancelled as the case may be. Power is reserved to His Majesty to disallow any suspension or cancellation of naturalization. Somewhat similar legislation has been adopted in the Straits Settlements. The object of the Bill is the prevention of crime in the New Territories. There are in that portion of the Colony many bad characters who go about in armed gangs robbing the peaceable inhabitants. There have of late been numerous cases in which inhabitants of the New Territory have been convicted of armed robberies on junks and boats and of robberies with violence in the night time on land and afloat with and without arms. It is desirable that power should be taken to banish, if necessary, such persons after they have undergone imprisonment. There are also cases in which persons guilty of the serious crimes mentioned, though well known, escape punishment on account of the difficulty, for fear of reprisals, in getting witnesses to come forward against them in the Law Courts. As the law stands such persons though a constant menace to peace and good order cannot be banished if naturalized subjects by operation of the Lease of the New Territories or otherwise. The present Bill gives power to deal by way of banishment with such bad characters and it is believed that when they learn that they may be banished from the Territory the effect for good upon them will be considerable.

ADJOURNED.

With regard to the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Prepared Opium Ordinance, 1891, and the committee stage on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to enable effect to be given in this Colony to a Convention signed the Fifth day of March Nineteen hundred and two in relation to Sugar, the Attorney General moved that both items be postponed.

This was agreed to, and the Council was adjourned *sine die*.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the Council Hon. A. M. Thomson, Acting Colonial Secretary, presiding. The following votes were submitted, and the Committee agreed to recommend that they be adopted by the Council:—

THE LAND COURT.

A sum of $13,801 in accordance with the revised estimate for the Land Court, New Territory:—

Personal emoluments,	$10,881
Other charges,	2,920
Total,	$13,801

THE VICTORIA HOSPITAL.

A sum of $1,895 84 in aid of the vote public works recurrent, miscellaneous works, to clear off all liabilities in connection with the construction of the Victoria Hospital.

The meeting then adjourned.

PROMISSORY NOTE CASE.

The Chief Justice, this morning, heard an action brought by Kwong Kam Chuen, Kwong Sui Hing, Lau Ching Ming and Pui Cheong Tong, alias Tang Pui Cheong Tong, trading as Hop Sing Tong against Kwok Chiu Kin to recover $4,000, due on promissory notes.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., (instructed by Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Mr. G. K. H. Bruton,) appeared to make an application on behalf of defendant.

Defendant was at Port Arthur and wrote to the Chief Justice asking him to fix a day for the hearing of the case and go on with it in his absence. This, his Lordship remarked, was a very improper thing to do, and had it been done by a European he would probably have committed him for contempt of Court. The day was fixed and the case came on, when Mr. Pollock applied to the Court for leave to appear for defendant. The Chief Justice, however, declined to allow him to appear, as no affidavits were filed in support of the application, and a dangerous precedent would be created if he allowed Counsel to represent defendant, after defendant had withdrawn his defence. The statement of claim set forth that plaintiffs and defendant had been partners in a business under the name of Bismark and Company, at Hongkong, Port Arthur and Dalny. On May 30 the plaintiffs and defendant dissolved their partnership on the terms that defendant should give up his interest in the business of Bismark and Company, Hongkong, and should take over the businesses at Port Arthur and Dalny and pay the plaintiffs the sum of $25,000. In pursuance of the agreement and in part payment of the $25,000 the defendant gave plaintiffs two promissory notes, dated May 31st for $2,000 each, which were payable one month from date, and entered in possession of and still retains the businesses at Port Arthur and Dalny. The defendant had not paid any of the money, and the plaintiffs claimed $4,000.

The Chief Justice gave judgment for plaintiffs, with costs.

The Court adjourned *sine die*.

THE TIENTSIN GAS CO

INCREASE OF CAPITAL.

At the Supreme Court this morning, before the Chief Justice, Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., (instructed by Mr. H. J. Gedge, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master), appeared in support of an application from the Tientsin Gas Company to give effect to certain special resolutions passed at an extraordinary meeting of the company in December last.

The special resolutions were that clause 3 of the Memorandum of Association be altered by substituting the following sub-section:—(a) to manufacture, sell and supply any kind of illuminant in the foreign concessions and settlements at Tientsin, Tientsin Native City, Peking, Tongku, Tongshan, Peitaiho, Chingwantao, Shanhaikwan and any other place between or in the neighbourhood of the said places or elsewhere in North China, and to carry on the business of a gas or oil, or electric light works in all their branches, and to manufacture or generate gas, or electricity, or any other illuminant. And by inserting after sub-clause (f) three new sub-clauses which would enable the Company to carry on in all or any of the places aforesaid the business of an electric light company in all its branches, and to light the towns, streets, docks, etc., both public and private, in the foreign concessions in Tientsin or elsewhere in North China. To carry on the business of electricians, etc, for the purposes of supplying light, heat, [illegible] and to manufacture all apparatus required in connection with the distribution or generation and employment of electricity. To carry on the business of lighting of every description, whether gas, electricity or other illuminant, in all their respective branches and to manufacture, manipulate, or use all chemicals capable of being used alone or in conjunction with other chemicals or elements for the purpose of producing any illuminating power. Further, they resolved that the capital of the Company be increased from taels 50,000 Tientsin sycee to taels 250,000 Tientsin Sycee, by the issue of two thousand shares at taels 100 each, and, furthermore, that the name of the Company be altered to The Tientsin Gas and Electric Light Company, Limited.

The Chief Justice made the order asked for.

THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

ANNUAL INSPECTION.

The Hongkong Volunteer Corps assembled for annual inspection, by the Officer Commanding the Troops in South China, on the new [illegible] Ground on Saturday afternoon. Some delay occurred and the inspection, announced for 3 p.m., did not begin till 3.20. The inspecting officer, H. E. Major-General Villiers Hatton, C.B., was accompanied by Major A. B. Hamilton, P.S.C., Deputy Asst. Adj. General and Capt. E. S. Ward, and Grenadier Guards, A.D.C. The officers and men presented a very smart appearance in their uniforms of khaki drill, putties, white helmets, belts, sidearms and rifles, and the muster was a good one; 170, rank and file, being present.

Major C. G. Pritchard, R. A., was in command, with the following officers under his orders:—

Major A. Chapman, second in command; Supply Surgeon Lt. E. A. R. Laing, Captains O. Ordish, D. Macdonald, G. J. B. Sayer, J. H. W. Armstrong, T. Skinner and R. Mitchell; Lieuts J. W. L. Oliver, J. A. T. Plummer, G. P. Lamment, W. Nicholson, M. S. Northcote, E. G. Barrett, M. M. Scott and W. A. Crake, Corps Sgt. Major W. Higby, Corps Armourer Sgt. J. Hawks.

Inspection terminated, the Corps, formed up in close order, was addressed by H. E. Major-General Villiers Hatton, C. B. He expressed his satisfaction at the appearance of the men on parade, but regretted that the corps was not up to its full strength, and urged the members to use their influence with their friends to induce them to join. The General stated that he was very satisfied with the gun practice of the corps, and said that, in the future, manœuvres would only be executed with the 15lb. B. L. and maxims. The band of the Sherwood Foresters was in attendance and played during the inspection.

CHINESE FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Sir Ernest Satow, the British Minister to Peking, has written an official despatch to the Viceroy Wei Kwang-tao regarding the importation of Chinese labour into South Africa which has become such a burning question in British politics, involving as it does the life or death of the Government. We roughly translate from the Chinese text as follows:—

"Minister Chang Teh-yih has written me from London that he is now contemplating concluding an agreement regarding the importation of Chinese labour into the mines in South Africa so as to protect the interests of the Chinese labourers. According to the treaty between China and Great Britain dated 10th year of the Emperor Hsien Fung (24th Oct., 1860) there is a stipulation in Article V as follows:—

"As soon as the ratifications of the Treaty of the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight shall have been exchanged, His Majesty the Emperor of China will decree, commanding the high authorities of every province to proclaim throughout their jurisdictions that Chinese, in chosing to take service in British colonies or other ports beyond the sea, are at perfect liberty to enter into engagements with British subjects for that purpose, and to ship themselves and their families on board any British vessels at the open ports of China; also that the high authorities aforesaid shall, in concert with H.B.M.'s Representative in China, frame such regulations for the protection of Chinese emigrating as above as the circumstances of the different open ports may demand."

Therefore such regulations shall be compiled between the two powers so as to give due protection to the Chinese labourers. Now British South Africa is recruiting Chinese labour and the *Wai Wupu* and Minister Chang Teh-yih are to draft such regulations. I shall be obliged if you (Viceroy Wei Kwang-tao) would attend to the matter with the Ministers of the Board of Foreign Affairs at Peking.—*Ex.*

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Preussen*) 29th inst.
Indian (*Lightning*) 30th inst.
German (*Prinz Heinrich*) 30th inst.
American (*Doric*) 4th prox.
French (*Annam*) 4th prox.
Canadian (*Athenian*) 4th prox.
Indian (*Hangsang*) 5th prox.
Canadian (*Empress of India*) 15th prox.
American (*Siberia*) 17th prox.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Annam*, with the next French Mail, will leave Singapore to-day, at 5 p.m., for this port *via* Saigon.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Preussen* left Shanghai on Saturday, at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on Tuesday, a.m.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Athenian* left Yokohama at 1 p.m., on 27th inst., and leaves again at 5 a.m., Tuesday, for Kobe where she is due to arrive at noon, on 30th inst.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinz Heinrich* with the German Mails left Singapore on Saturday morning, and may be expected here on Wednesday afternoon, the 30th inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

LIGHT BLUES WIN

THE BOAT RACE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, 26th March.
8.45 a.m.

Owing to the state of the tide the Inter-University Boat Race took place unusually early this morning.

The Cambridge crew won easily.

CANTON STEAMERS DELAYED.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, 28th March,
11.40 a.m.

The river steamers *Hankow*, *Hoiho*, *Kwongchow* and *Paul Beau*, due here at 6 a.m., have not yet arrived.

It is supposed they are delayed by the fog.

INSPECTION BY THE VICEROY.

On Saturday, the Viceroy, accompanied by the local officials, inspected the Military School and Torpedo Depôt at Whampoa.

(Reuter's.)

The Russian Tea Import.

LONDON, 25th March.

A Russian semi-official announcement says that the import of China teas for Russia has been arranged *via* London and any gap caused by the war will be filled up by an increased import of Indian and Ceylon teas.

LATER.

France and the Vatican.

France has sent a vigorous protest to the Vatican against the Pope's speech to the members of the Sacred College in re the French anti-clerical measures on the 19th instant.

Result of the Grand National.

1.—Moifoa.
2.—Kirkland.
3.—Gunner.

The Near East.

Turkey continues making preparations for all emergencies. Macedonia and Greece have called out the first class reserves ostensibly for manœuvres.

The Russian Fleet.

The cruiser *Oslyabia* and two destroyers have arrived at Algiers from Suda Bay and will probably proceed to Lisbon on Tuesday.

The War.

26th March.

It is stated in St. Petersburg that a considerable Cossack force is operating in the East-South East of the Japanese communications between Anju and Ping Yang, apparently with the object of preventing a junction of the troops landed at Chemulpo on the West and Gensan on the East of Korea. It is reported that 8,000 Japanese have marched across the mountains from Gensan to Yangtok on the road to Ping Yang.

The Japanese in British Columbia.

The Dominion Government has disallowed, on Imperial grounds, three acts of the British Columbia Legislative Council imposing restrictions on the Japanese.

The University Boat Race.

Cambridge won the University boat race by four lengths.

LENGTHENING THE S.S. "CHANG ON."

The steamer *Chang On* which was in collision some time ago with the P. & O. steamer *Ballarat* and sunk at Woosung, and afterwards raised and docked, was cut in two to-day at the Old Dock for the purpose of being lengthened, says the *Shanghai Mercury* of 22nd inst.

The owners of the vessel having found that the damage done by the collision was so great, and taking into consideration the increasing trade and traffic of the Yangtze River, they wisely decided to take the opportunity offered of lengthening their vessel by 32 feet. The hull had to be cut in two at a point forward of the boiler room, where all plates and woodwork forming the hull had been cut apart, and everything made ready for the pulling of the forward part away from the after part thus making room for the additional 32 feet. To carry this out it was necessary to place the fore part of the hull on a carriage which was again placed on sliding skid, and when all was ready the signal was given and a powerful capstan put to work and the fore part was then drawn asunder from the after part, the pulling apart process being performed successfully and no hitch of any kind occurring.

The new part of the hull will be filled in and the whole work will be completed in about two months' time.

This work undertaken by Messrs. Farnham Boyd and Co. is not the first of its kind, they having successfully performed the same work on the steamers *Fuping*, *Chingping*, *Kiangyung* and *Kiangkwan*, some years ago; all of these jobs were on a much larger scale and were completed to the entire satisfaction of the owners.

THE WAR.

VESSELS FOR NEWCHWANG.

The acting Colonial Secretary kindly informs us that he has received the following telegram, dated to-day, from His Britannic Majesty's Consul at Newchwang:—"Russian Military Authorities will allow vessels enter port daytime only, between six and six, vessels must stop at buoy ten and miles below fort for examination."

THE FRENCH PAPER ON NEUTRALITY.

The *Echo de Chine* states:—The *Akitsushima* is not anchored outside Woosung but in the middle of the river in front of the telegraph station, the bamboo gates of the fence of which are not closed, thus giving access to the large tanks of water in which the extremities of the cables are immersed.

Now that the *Mandjour* incident is disposed of, and the Russian gunboat fully and completely disarmed, it would be interesting to know just what a 3,000 ton Japanese cruiser is doing in the river. The excuse for looking after the Japanese merchant marine no longer holds good and one may ask oneself whether the telegraph cables at Woosung are not a serious attraction for the *Akitsushima*. We see in this a great violation of Chinese neutrality, but the English press, nevertheless, does not breathe a word on the subject. A powerful cruiser which anchors in a neutral port and use that port as a base of operations and for obtaining information is a flagrant breach of neutrality, against which, however, nobody will protest.

(From Japanese Exchanges.)

THE SITUATION IN KOREA.

Seoul, March 18.—Marquis Ito, Special Envoy to Corea, was received in audience by the Corean Emperor and Crown Prince this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Seoul, March 19.—An official despatch from Teshu to the Corean Government states that 3,000 Russians are stationed at Matsusan (?), 1,500 at Hakusen, and 300 at Teishu. They are demanding provisions from the local officials. At one town they were given three koku of rice and in payment they mockingly tendered some pieces of wood. The Russians go from one village to another and loot the villages. They have committed several outrages on women. They have also visited various Post Offices and demanded a map of the district. When their request met with a refusal they made reprisals by cutting the telegraph wires. It is also stated that the Russian troops are in the habit of inquiring from persons they meet the number of the Japanese at Pingyang, and that when no satisfactory answer is forthcoming, the unfortunate individual questioned is severely beaten. Several Corean villages have been deserted from fear of the Russians. No further news has been received from this district since the destruction of the wire.

THE SHIMOSE EXPLOSIVE.

Our readers are aware that the explosive used in the Japanese Navy bears the name of its inventor, Dr. Shimose. The destructive power of this explosive was demonstrated during the recent naval engagements. A few days ago, the inventor, Dr. Shimose, delivered a lecture in Tokyo, in which he explained the nature and use of the powder. We are indebted for the following report to the *Japan Times*.

The inventor said that, according to their use, explosives were classified under two headings, namely, those for mining and those for military purposes, the latter being again classified into those for discharging and those for destructive purposes. "Shimose" belonged to the latter category, and was never used for the purpose of discharging shots. The explosive used by the European Powers for warlike purposes was gun-cotton. But manifold inconveniences attended the use of guncotton. For instance, when dried too much, it exploded even by slight friction. In order to prevent this danger, it was necessary to combine it with water to the extent of 20 per cent., in which case it burned with difficulty when ignited. But when the water exceeded 20 per cent. gun-cotton would not explode. Again, owing to possible evaporation, the water contained in gun-cotton did not maintain an equal quantity, making its safety unstable. Sometimes it would become mouldy, thus losing most of its explosive power, which could not then be easily restored. At present the most powerful explosive in the world was blasting-gelatine, which was used by Americans, though not for military purposes. It was far superior to gun-cotton in destructive power, and could be quite safely handled in ordinary times. One defect, however, of gelatine was its easy freezing. Frozen gelatine would explode from the slightest cause, and this fact made it unfit for military purposes. The 'Shimose" explosive was very simply constituted, but it was sufficiently safe to be used by the Navy.

Continuing, Dr. Shimose said neither the falling of an iron hammer upon it, nor ignition, nor the firing of a bullet into it would cause his explosive to explode. In such cases it would burn like turpentine, but the fire could be extinguished by a cupful of water. Combined with a certain ingredient, it had sufficient explosive power for warlike purposes. Among the explosives in the world the American gelatine had the greatest destructive power; Shimose came next, gun-cotton and dynamite following in order. To illustrate the explosive power of Shimose, a small quantity placed upon an iron plate one or two inches thick, would, when exploded, perforate the plate for the area covered by the powder. At an experiment carried out at Kugenuma, Soshu, a 6-inch Shimose shot was fired at a coal store protected with armour plate similar to that of a certain cruiser. The shot made a hole of about three feet in diameter, whereas in the case of the ordinary shot the diameter of the hole was only 6 inches. It burst on contact with the plate, while the other exploded only when it had travelled about three feet after passing through the plate. The Shimose shell was blown into two or three thousand pieces, while the other broke up only into 10 or 15 fragments. This tremendous power was testified to by the fact that a bluejacket on the *Varyag* was struck by more than 160 fragments of shell. The placing of one such shot on a deck would mean the wounding of all the crew there. But the explosive was not intended for the killing of men but for the destruction of war-ships. One more noteworthy feature of the Shimose powder, concluded the doctor, was the fact that its cost was about half that of guncotton.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

THE S. S. "HAIMUN."

According to the latest news by letter everything is quiet at Weihaiwei, reports the *Mercury*. The *Haimun* left Weihaiwei for some part of Korea on the 14th inst. She sent an experimental message to the Weihaiwei station the same evening from a distance of fifty miles. They were unable to return the message that evening from Weihaiwei as they had not got the instruments completed, but now, 16th inst., everything is ready and they were expecting to receive a message from her 100 miles away. It is to be hoped that this means of information will soon be in working order and that we shall be able to get news from Weihaiwei to Shanghai.

RUSSIA'S EXPENDITURE ON THE SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

A report has been published by the Committee of the Siberian Railway for the ten years period from 1893 to 1903. It gives the official figures for the cost of constructing the Siberian Railway (not including the Manchurian Railway) a total distance of 6,665 versts. This was 413,520,902 roubles, or 64,894 roubles a verst. The cost is proportionate to the distance from Europe varying from 38,000 roubles a verst in the western section to 97,000 in the eastern. A further sum of 94,320,600 roubles, or 22,287 roubles a verst, was spent on improving and strengthening the line, and a sum of 2,029,575 roubles was spent on the unfinished and abandoned Amur line. The sum spent on the Eastern Chinese Railway (2,377 versts long) was 253,496,000 roubles or 106,645 roubles a verst. On the improvement of the Amur navigation, the Ussuri line, &c., and the construction of the port of Vladivostock, the sum expended was 10,321,028 roubles, and on the construction of the port and harbour of Dalny 18,850,000 roubles. The total expenditure, however, amounted to 940,259,401 roubles on a total length of 9,042 versts, 103,987 roubles a verst. In the Russian Budget for the year the sum of 17,000,000 roubles is set down for the year the sum of 17,000,000 roubles is set down for the Baikal Ring Railway.

THE FINANCIAL OUTLOOK.

Naturally there is much speculation as to the effect of the war in the Far East upon finances in the various countries. One of the immediate effects is seen in increased purchases in the United States. Japanese supremacy on the sea naturally cuts Russia off from the markets of the Pacific. Japan, however, is free to purchase from us her foods and horses and mules for land operations. The rough and ready ponies of Oregon and Northwestern States, accustomed to mountain climbing, cold weather, and scant fare, seem to offer just what the Japanese cavalry need. These ponies can carry a Jap. soldier far and fast. Americans are not loaded up with either Russian or Japanese securities; in fact, the latter country is practically without a debt. In Europe, however, the case is different. Russia begins the war with a debt of more than $3,000,000,000 and her normal peace expenditures exceed her annual revenue by $30,000,000. The war in the East will be even more expensive than Great Britain's disastrous conquest in South Africa, because she must sacrifice on land and sea and subsist her army at a great disadvantage.—*Ex.*

DECLARATION OF WAR.

In St. Petersburg efforts are being made to inflame the popular mind against Japan by accusing her of barbarous action in thus commencing hostilities unannounced. There is, however, no absolute rule in the matter, and, so far as the practice of States goes, there are many more precedents for Japan than against her. The great international law authorities are divided on the subject. In the ancient Roman law a previous declaration of war was considered necessary and was made with religious formalities. In more modern times Grotius and Vattel give the weight of their authority to the opinion that a declaration of war to the enemy was required by justice and humanity. But still more recent authorities maintain that such a declaration is not required by the law of nations, and that, though it may very properly be made, it cannot be demanded as a matter of right. A declaration to the enemy has, therefore, fallen into disuse and the only declaration that is customarily made is one by the Sovereigns of the belligerent States to their own peoples. Most of the great wars of the nineteenth century began without a declaration, an exception being provided by the Turk when the Crimean of 1854 started. But there was no formal declaration in the case of the Austro-Prussian War of 1866, or in the Franco-German War of 1870. In the case of the South African war there was no declaration of war by Britain, and till very late in the war no intimation to other States that the war was in progress. There, however, the combatants were not on the status of two Sovereign States, but of a Sovereign and a vassal State. That, at any rate, was the position taken by the British Government. A well-known military authority who has gone into the question of declarations of war states that there have been 117 outbreaks of hostilities between the years 1700-1870, and only in ten cases was a formal declaration issued before the war began.—*Ex.*

With regard to Japan's chances of success on land, a correspondent of *The Asian* gives the following interesting information:—She has two great advantages in her favour, one is that her forces have a large leaven of "old moustaches" among them—if one can apply such a term to members of a nation that is singularly non-hirsute—and the other is the simplicity of her commissariat. Japan will have many veterans in her army who fought in her war of 1894, and to whom the rigors of the Korean and Manchurian winter are familiar. In the report of the Surgeon-General of the field hospitals some interesting details were given. The soldiers, besides being furnished with ordinary winter clothes, such as they would wear in the milder climate of Japan, were provided with a thick fur hood, a thick fur-lined overcoat, a flannel undershirt, knit nap-lined pants, paper undershirts and drawers, thick nap-lined gloves, and an additional blanket, while during the severest part of the winter a larger blanket was supplied for each to wear or lie upon. The standard food was 2lbs. of rice and 5 oz. of meat mixed with greens per day. While on the march, when the commissariat was not always perfect, the men ate boiled rice and pickled plums, or passed a day on a gruel of rice mixed with Indian corn. When spoils were taken, however, they had meat three times a day. If Europeans had to make such a campaign, it was calculated at the time half their number would be lost from change of climate, food and habitation. Japanese being more or less similar to Chinese and Koreans in race, food and habits, the effect was not so disastrous, and the deaths from ordinary sickness were only at the rate of 2.9 per cent.

The initial torpedo adventure of the Japanese at Port Arthur makes it of particular interest at the moment to remember what Lord Charles Beresford thought of that arm of the naval force of Japan after his visit to the great dockyard of Yokosuka in 1899. In that dockyard he found a large torpedo depôt, with everything connected with torpedo warfare under one administration. "This," he said, "is an infinitely preferable plan to the British, where everything connected with the torpedo warfare is only an auxiliary of the great dockyards." It is significant that it is the well-equipped force admired by one of our greatest authorities in naval efficiency which should be put first into action by the Japanese.

The Japanese Government some three months ago secured a number of field guns of the most up-to-date character. An agent of the Government recently purchased several guns of the Creusot-Schneider type and also some ordered by two States of Eastern Europe which had not been delivered. Two artificers from the firm went out with the guns to instruct the Japanese in handling them.

Following are telegrams to the *N. C. D. News*:—

Tokio, 21st March. A financial understanding between the Cabinet and the Parties in the Diet has been satisfactorily completed.

The compromise arrived at includes the abandonment of the salt monopoly and the silk tax. The proposed land tax of 4 5 is to be lowered to 4.3 per cent. The enhanced tobacco monopoly is retained.

The House of Representatives to-morrow will pass a vote of thanks to the Navy.

Marquis Ito was received in audience again by the Emperor of Corea yesterday. The side issues in Marquis Ito's mission include a loan to Corea of five million yen on liberal terms, and the engagement of advisers for the improvement of the Imperial Court. These will probably be arranged. The Emperor will give decorations to Marquis Ito and his suite.

All the members of the Yokohama Specie Bank at Newchwang arrived at Shanghai by the C. M. S. *Hsinyü* from Tientsin on Sunday.

Official news has now reached the British Admiral commanding on the China Station from the Admiralty in London that the Russian Government reports torpedoes laid in Kwantung waters. The Admiral has issued an instruction that vessels wishing to approach land or enter Port Arthur must stop five miles off, hoist national colours and ask for pilot. This notification probably refers to the submarine mines first reported by Captain Harvey of the C. E. and M. S. *Chingping*.

Japanese papers to hand give publicity to a report that the Russian Government has sent two submarines by rail to the Far East, one for Vladivostock and one for Port Arthur. So far as the naval annuals show the Russian navy has only one submarine, but others were in process of building. There has been a rumour, says the *Japan Times*, that a Russian submarine "poked her nose above water inside Liukungtao one fine morning last summer."

Captain Troubridge, British Naval Attaché, is reported to have seen the whole of the attack on Port Arthur on the 10th instant. He describes the scene as being a magnificent one. Nearly all the shells from the Japanese war-ships took effect.

Count Oyeta and twenty other Japanese officers leave Vancouver for Yokohama on the 14th inst. by s.s. *Empress of India*.

A Kobe contemporary states that it is believed that Prince Nashinomoto is returning from Paris incognito, travelling under the name mentioned in this despatch, viz. Count Oyeta.

The *Yorodzu* computes that the total amount of coal in Port Arthur at the beginning of the war could not have been more than 200,000 tons and reckons that this will have been almost used by now, this rendering it impossible for the fleet to put to sea, even if it were strong enough otherwise.

The *Hakuai Maru*, says the *Japan Mail*, has arrived at Shimonoseki with 22 wounded Russians from Chemulpo and 82 sick Japanese. The former have gone in to hospital at Ehime. Seven of the Russians are severely wounded. Two have had their legs amputated at the thigh, and one has lost an arm. One of these men is said to have had 160 wounds, from which fact the minute shattering that a shell undergoes from the Shimose explosive may be inferred. In consideration of the kind treatment shown by the Japanese towards these wounded men, the Czar has donated 2,000 yen to the Red Cross Society.

The Tartar General has recruited 6,000 men in the neighbourhood of Moukden and intends to organise fifteen camps of infantry. Rifles are to be borrowed from Director General Sheng, Shanghai. Nearly 3,000 bandits are in the Port Arthur and Dalny districts and they are all hostile to the Russians. The latter tried to bribe them; but their efforts were futile.

The Japanese have discovered that the *Varyag* was struck by a torpedo in the fight at Chemulpo.

The German community of Kobe have subscribed 7,700 yen "to assist charitable efforts in Hiogo Ken in connection with the present war."

COMMERCIAL.

Advices from Shanghai, dated 22nd inst., report business done:—Indo-Chinas at Tls. 62½ cash, and Tls 66 for July. Farnham, Boyds at Tls. 141/140 for March and Tls. 146/145½ for July. Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. at Tls. 6. Maatschappijs at Tls. 282½/285 cash, Tls 285/287½/285 for March, Tls. 290 for April, and Tls. 300/297½ for June. Telephones at Tls. 66. Hotel des Colonies at Tls. 15. Astors at $35.

FREIGHT.

Writing under date, 26th inst., Messrs. Lamke and Rogge, report:—

The volume of business transacted during the period under review has been somewhat smaller principally in consequence of a satisfied demand—at least for the time being—for steamers on monthly terms for Japanese account, but rates of freight for tripwise business are, on the whole, well maintained and a retrograde movement need hardly be feared.

There has been a fairly good demand from Saigon to this port in spite of the still rather weak rice market locally; chartering has been done to a fair extent at rates ranging from 21 cents to 25 cents per picul, but the inquiry has once more been restricted to boats of handy size, only in one instance a somewhat larger carrier having "chipped in" at the reduced rate of 19 cents per picul. Shippers at Saigon remain very reluctant as regards steamers of large size, especially if without 'tween decks, they being afraid of damage by sweating.

For Philippine ports, only a very moderate business has come to pass at somewhat easier rates viz. 42 cents per picul and the demand has also been limited to small carriers. The grain market in the Philippines is said to be rather stagnant with gradually receding prices and, unless there is an early change for the better, a further slight decline in freights is not unlikely.

Nothing else requiring special mention has transpired in the Southern market.

Anent Newchwang business, further chartering has been done at the last rate of 45 cents for Canton, four boats having been fixed on those terms. No advices seem to hand yet whether the ice has broken and whether any difficulty has been experienced in shipping produce, but definite news should now reach here at an early date.

No fresh coal charters have been effected locally from Japan ports, but a limited amount of chartering has been done in the North at slightly lower rates than heretofore, a weaker local coal market having been prohibitive to an advance in freights. Closing quotation is hardly better than $3 per ton, Moji to this. For Singapore, $3.25 per ton has been paid, but another charter is reported done in London at $3.50 per ton.

On monthly terms, business has been restricted to the charters of two small carriers, and as already indicated, there is less demand at the moment.

Sail Freights:—The Rajang inquiry has been responded to by the fixing of the *Vale of Doon*, 2 trips at $8,500 each trip.

Sail-tonnage loading or to load.—For Callao.—Italian bark *Lothair*, arrived 12th January. British bark *Algoa Bay* arrived 4th March from Hongay.

Disengaged:—British 4-m. bark *Arrow* 2,971 tons, British 4-m. bark *Lyndhurst*, 2,249 tons.

Departures:—None.

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6 months' sight "	2.31⅛
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To-day's Advertisements.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.....	"HYSON"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.....	"PROMETHEUS"	On 24th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.....	"DEUCALION"	On 1st May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.....	"ULYSSES"	On 7th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.....	"DARDANUS"	On 13th May.

HOMEWARDS.

For	Steamers	To sail
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 29th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.
*GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 14th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"JASON"	On 10th May.
*GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"ACHILLES"	On 20th May.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

For	Steamers	To sail
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, *viâ* NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"HYSON"	On 19th April.

S.S. "PING SUEY" will leave Victoria, B.C., for Japan and Hongkong on 24th March.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [2

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

For	Steamers.	To Sail.
SHANGHAI and TIENTSIN	"SHANSI" †	29th March, at 4 p.m.
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"HANGCHOW" † ...	30th " " "
SHANGHAI.....	"TIENTSIN"	1st April, " "
SWATOW and TIENTSIN	"CHIHLI"	7th " " "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU" * ...	8th April.

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1904 [7

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—**Surgeon** and **Stewardess** carried.—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

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STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
PERLA.....	1980	—	—	—
RUBI.....	2540	R. W. Almond ...	MANILA (DIRECT)...	THURSDAY, 31st March, at 4 P.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)...	SATURDAY, 9th April, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904 [8

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,
FOR
PORTLAND, OREGON,
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH
THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	April 24, 1904.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	J. T. Horne	—
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	—

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

15] ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week Days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about 2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.

FARE:—(Week Days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), $3; Return Ticket, $5.
2nd Class, $1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.

On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class Single Ticket, $2; Return Ticket, $3. Return Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on Board or at Macao Hotel, $5. On Sundays, $5 extra will be charged for each cabin with accommodations for two or more passengers.

WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach Macao.

MING ON & CO.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [16

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British Steamship

"YING KING,"

Captain Ramsey, of 1,088 tons, Registered, is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously furnished steamer on the line and is lighted throughout with Electricity; hot and cold water service. The cuisine is unexcelled.

Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING, at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every following evening at 5 P.M.

1st Class.....$3.00 for Single Journey.
2nd " ..... 1.50 " "
Meals ..... 1.00 each.

The steamer's wharf is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street,

YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [395

Shipping—Steamres.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

AUSTRALIAN LINE.

REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES, From 1st January, 1904.

ALSO REDUCED FARES TO MANILA AND RETURN.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric Light, First Class Accommodation. Unrivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1904. [104

MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

J. TREVOUX & CO.

HONGKONG-CANTON NIGHTLY SERVICE.

THE Commodious Steamer

"PAUL BEAU,"

Captain Frangeul, leaves Hongkong for Canton at 9 P.M., on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the following Days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M., taking Passengers and Cargo as usual.

The S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN," Captain Noel, leaves Hongkong on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at the usual hour.

These Two Magnificent and Up-to-Date Steamers, are lighted with Electricity.

The Saloon is under European Supervision.

First Class European $8.00	
Second Class European	3.00
First Class Chinese.....	1.50
Second Class Chinese.....	80
Deck	30

The Company's Wharf is at the end of Queen Street, Praya West.

For further Particulars, apply to
J. LANDOLT, Agent,
THE PHARMACY, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [222

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steamers

	Tons	Captain
"KWONG CHOW"...	1,309...	J. P. MARTIN.
"KWONG TUNG"...	1,238...	H. W. WALKER.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 8.30 Every Evening (Saturday excepted).

Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5 o'clock Every Evening (Sunday excepted).

These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled Accommodation for First Class Passengers and are lit throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare—Single Journey $4
Meals .....(Each) 1

The Company's Wharf is a Short Distance West of the Harbour Master's Office.

SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1904. [H

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports.)

THE Steamship

"KENNEBEC,"

Captain Geo. R. Wallace, will be despatched as above on or about MONDAY, the 28th instant.

For Freight or further information, apply to
STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [317

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 29th instant, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to
DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [434

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"PERLA,"

Captain A. H. Notley, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, 29th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [435

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG,"

Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 30th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [416

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904.	About
"SAINT IRENE"	29th April.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

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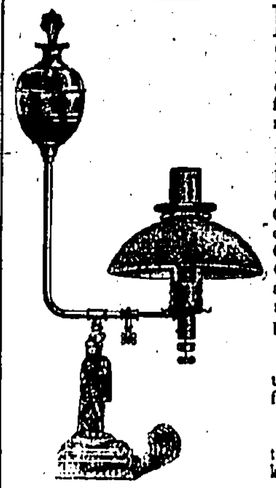

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Incandescent Mantles, Chimneys, Globes, Shades, &c., for Gasoline and Gas Lamps at the most moderate prices.

Lamps fixed up for Buyers free of charge.

Naphtha of the best kind kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO.,
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Hongkong, 17th November, 1903. [31

Intimations.

LEVY HERMANOS.

DIAMOND MERCHANTS, JEWELLERS AND WATCHMAKERS.

EASTMAN'S
KODAKS and FILMS.

Sole Agents for "OMEGA" WATCHES. "OMEGA" is the best, "THREE YEARS" guarantee given to every purchaser.

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SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,
16, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL,
HONGKONG,
SOAP AND SODA MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S RAHTJEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION RED HAND BRAND HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES,
&c., &c., &c.

Sole Agents for
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM
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J. & G. SPECIAL LIQUER SCOTCH WHISKY, &c.
EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK
AT
REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [E

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM
OF
DENTISTRY.

DR. M. H. CHAUN,
27, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG,
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904. [58

DENTISTRY.

SUI SANG,
(Lately Practising with Dr. I. SAKATA),
DENTIST,
No. 26, Connaught Road Central.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1904. [57

TSU FAN
DENTIST.

PRICE MODERATE—CONSULTATION FREE.
Next to the Hongkong Dispensary,
50, Queen's Road, Central.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [56

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1902

SAVARESSE'S SANDAL CAPSULES

Not made of Gelatine, most efficacious, because absolutely pure English Oil.

Full directions. All Chemists.
Insist on Savaresse's.

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no change has been made in the Rates of Subscription to the *Hongkong Telegraph* and they are warned against paying more than TEN CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.

THE MANAGER,
Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1903.

Intimation.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

1, ICE HOUSE ROAD,
HONGKONG.

CABLE ADDRESS,—*Telegraph*, Hongkong.

THE leading English Newspaper in China
Also widely circulated in Japan, Cochin China, Ceylon, India and the Far East generally.

A daily newspaper with weekly edition published for despatch by the homeward mail The daily is recommended as more generally suitable, except for subscribers in Europe or America.

A special feature is made of full and accurate reports of local occurrences, and of matters of general interest.

ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

The *Hongkong Telegraph* is the best medium for advertising in China. It circulates largely among all classes of the community, is the largest daily newspaper and has a wider circulation than any journal in the Far East.

Special attention given to effectively displaying advertisements.

The type used as a standard for setting advertisements is similar to this, unless we are instructed to display the advertisement, when any effective style of type will be adopted This standard runs exactly eight lines to the inch, and about eight words to the line.

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(per inch.)

One week.....	$ 2.85
One month	7.20
Two months	13.00
Three "	20.00
Six "	37.50
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No charge less than one dollar.

Discount allowed on—

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12 "	25 "

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages $1 each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.

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Special Rates for standing advertisements can be ascertained from the Manager.

Advertisements for the Daily should reach the *Hongkong Telegraph* Office not later than noon of the day they are intended to appear.

Unless otherwise specified all advertisements will be repeated and charged for until countermanded.

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Job Printing of all descriptions undertaken.

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All Job printing is done under European supervision, well turned out, free from errors, and remarkably cheap at

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HONGKONG TELEGRAPH CO., LD
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Hongkong.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong Observatory a new code of meteorological signals which comes into force at Hongkong on New Year's Day. They are the same as those at present in use at Shanghai, and will be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball at Kowloon Point for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected. The signals are as follows:—

A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to the North of the Colony.

A cone point upwards and drum below indicates a typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and drum below indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.

A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon to the South of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and ball below indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.

A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of the Colony.

A cone point upwards and ball below indicates a typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to veer.

Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to back.

The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also, by day only, at the Harbour Office and on H M's Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching typhoons by means of the Typhoon Gun placed at the food of the mast, which is fired whenever a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

NOTICE BOARDS.

Notice boards are placed at:—
Joint Cable Companies' Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street.
Blake Pier.
Post Office.
Harbour Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Kowloon.

WEATHER-FORECASTS and STORM-WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours, day or night, whenever necessary. Information of importance is also issued by "Express."

THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily about noon. It contains observations made at Hongkong and at a number of stations in the Far East, together with *Remarks, Weather-forecasts*, and *information regarding the existence and movements of typhoons* based thereon.

SPECIAL INQUIRIES.

Masters of vessels or their agents may, whenever necessary, call at the Telegraph Company's Office in Connaught Road and send telegrams to the Observatory asking for special information without charge. Such inquiries may also be sent from the Police Station at Kowloon Point which is connected with the Observatory by telephone.

THE LAW OF STORMS.

Further information concerning the weather to be expected while signals are hoisted, and sailing directions, are given in "The Law of Storms in the Eastern Seas."

F. G. FIGG,
Acting Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, 2nd January, 1904.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Glenturret, Br s.s., 3,042, R. Webster, 26th Mar.,—Singapore 19th Mar., Gen.—McG. B. & Gow.

Tydeus, Br. s.s., 4,799, M. H. Flood-Jackson, 27th Mar.,—Tacamo via Japan Ports 21st Feb., Nagasaki 23rd Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Foo Shing, Br. s.s., 1,421, T. Arthur, 27th Mar., —Moji 21st Mar., Coal —J., M. & Co.

Triumph, Ger. s.s., 769, Hansen, 20th Mar., Amoy 24th Mar, Gen.—O. S. K.

Haitan, Br. s.s., 1,183, L. S. Roach, 27th Mar., —Swatow 26th Mar., Gen.—D., L. & Co.

Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 26th Mar., —Manila 12th Mar., Gen.—S., T. & Co.

Rajaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,189, J. Wendig, 27th Mar.,—Bangkok 24th Mar., Rice.—B. & S.

Medan, Ger. s.s., 600, O. Stolberg. 27th Mar., —Singapore 18th Mar., Gen.—Order.

Binandi, Am. s.s., 273, Diego de Aldamir, 27th Mar.,—Iloilo 21st Sugar.—C. H. O. D. & Co.

Linan, Br. s.s. 1,353, C. C. William, 27th Mar., —Chinkiang and Wuhu 23rd Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Meefoo, Ch. s.s., 1,321, J. Whenland 26th Mar., —Shanghai 22nd Mar, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Loongmoon, Ger. s.s., 1,245, F. Kalkofen, 26th Mar.,—Canton 25th Mar., Gen.—S. & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Chiyuen, for Shanghai.
Yingking, for Canton.
Meefoo, for Canton.
Shansi, for Shanghai.
Wingchai, for Macao.
Hailan, for Hoihow.

Departures.

Mar. 27.

Hailan, for Hoihow.
Woosung, for Shanghai.
Hailoong, for Swatow.
Salfordia, for Moji.

Mar. 28.

Hong Wan I, for Amoy.
E-sang, for Shanghai.
Suevia, for Kobe.
Antenor, for Shanghai.
Chiyeun, for Shanghai.
Anghin, for Singapore.
Pronto, for Chefoo.
Roseley, for Nagasaki.
Keongwei, for Swatow.
Centurion, H.M.S. battleship, for Mirs Bay.
Ocean, H.M.S. battleship, for Mirs Bay.
Amphitrite, Br. cruiser, for Mirs Bay.
Blenheim, Br. cruiser, for Mirs Bay.
Vengeance, H.M.S. battleship, for Mirs Bay.
Albion, Br. cruiser, for Mirs Bay.
Alacrity, Br. despatch-vessel, for Mirs Bay.
Talbot, Br. cruiser, for Mirs Bay.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Haitan*, from Swatow—Mrs. Prokogee, Mrs. Schipper, Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, Messrs. Tan Liak, W. O. Pegg and Gosewisch and two children.

Per *Rajaburi*, from Bangkok—Mr. and Mrs. Frege and child.

Per *Rubi*, from Manila—Mr. and Mrs. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. Jenks, Mr. and Mrs. Stephens, Mr. and Mr. Rhode and child, Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkland, Misses G. G. Knights, Marry B. Crone, S. C. Knight, Carmen Mendoza, Schall, J. Bousquet, Capt. Howe, Drs. H. C. Stuntz, and W. Eastlake, J. Lieut.-Comdr. F. W. Coffins, Messrs. P. Nagel, J. Kyburg, C. S. Reimold, Geo. M. Palmer, Reed, Burke, Creydale. H. S. Bosenthal, Wm. Waters, F. Mendoza, F. M. Monsi, Bancroff, R. W. Lamberth, Felix Hoosen, H. L. Finlay, Moody, C. J. Andruss, Croydale, A. Kuenale, Chas. F. Palmer, J. Morrison, A. Crossman and Show Rong.

Passengers departed.

Per *Zafiro*, for Manila—Mr. and Mr. Felix Faulo, Master F. S. Faulo, Messrs. P. Sanz, C. E. Rommell, D. P. Cariz, Chas. Cupider, O. Guangco, D. Crevister, V. Pinniola G. Katzer, V. Catco, C. Chu U Co, D. Chio U Co Mr. and Mrs. Apostol, Messrs. C. Biags, C. Chiancis, V. Prie, P. Quinco, C J. Chavis Capt. and Mrs. Chas Kaller, Miss Ira Kaller, Mrs. C. E. Freeman, Messrs C. Ponco, Lewis, C. Grant, A. Reyes, T. Smithers, M. Sevilla, M. Valeriano, Miss Magdalena, M. Valeriano, Mr B. H. Macke, Fev. R. Beanas, Messrs. I. Sidico, C. Camar, A. Bocie, Chas Tucker, J. Tie, T. C. Noie, M. G. Revella, T. K. Trosie, A. Shoon, L. Frithjor, S. Chake, P. O. Niel, L. C. Brent, L. Chieng, Mrs. B E. Harris, Messrs. C. T. Lunstein, C Wn Chien, H. L. Knight, G. W. Brydges, K. Brown, Mrs. S. E. Brown, Messrs. A Sim. J. J. Bardsley, C. M. Jenki , W. F. Ryan, E. Rothenberg, Mrs Tome Matsuo, Mr. Capt. T. M. Wakefield Messrs. G. Nyder, D. Ferando, L. Bon co, S Hollingsworth, A. J. Fancis Miss McCann Messrs. A. M. Davies, R P. Yates J. U. Van Senber, D. W. Brittings, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Green, Miss M. Jamieson, Messrs. J. G. Remey, D. B. McComb D. E. Towels, C. D. Whipper, E L. Watson, D. L. Babcock, C. E. Beaty, I. B. Nutter, J. E. Corley, P. E. Hemmel, H. U. Whitford, E. Basch and A. F. Thane.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Ellen Rickmers	at	Kowloon	Dock
Hanoi	"	"	"
H.M.S. Algerine	"	"	"
Lin Tan	"	"	"
H.I.G.M.S. Moewe...	"	"	"
Tremont	"	"	"
H.M.S. Glory	"	"	"
Kashing	"	"	"
Tak Hing.....	"	"	"
H.M.S. Otter	"	Cosmopolitan	"
Signal	"	Aberdeen	"

Shipping Report.

Str. *Linan* from Chinkiang:—Light variable winds to calm, with dense fog.

Str. *Haitan* from Swatow:—Light E'ly winds, foggy weather, and smooth sea throughout.

Str. *Medan* from Singapore:—Boisterou , later moderating, E'ly winds and sea

Str. *Rubi* from Manila:—Light N'ly winds, with smooth sea and fine clear weather throughout.

Str. *Tydeus* from Tacoma, etc.:—Nagasaki to Breaker Point moderate S.W. winds, overcast sky and smooth sea; thence to port light winds and thick fog.

Str *Fooshing* from Moji:—There to Turnabout moderate variable winds, hazy weather and smooth sea, thence to port moderate winds, foggy weather, and smooth sea.

Str. *Rajaburi* from Bangkok:—There to Pulo Obi fine weather, thence to Padaran strong N.E. monsoon with high sea, thence to port fine weather, with light winds and N.E. swell.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	*From*	*Agents*	*Due*
Preussen	Japan	M. & Co...	Mar. 29
Lightning	Singapore .	D. S. & Co.	Mar. 29
Glenartney ...	Singapore .	McG. & G.	Mar. 30
Prinz Heinrich.	Singapore .	M. & Co...	Mar. 30
Doric	San Fr'isco	P. M. & Co	April 4
Athenian	Japan	C. P. R. Co	April 4
Annam	Saigon ...	M. M.....	April 4
Hangsang	Singapore .	J., M. & Co.	April 5
Indravelli	Portland ..	P. & A. ...	April 13
E. of India.....	Vancouver.	C. P. R. Co	April 15
Siberia	San F'cisco	P. M. & Co	April 17

Vessels in Port.

Steamers.

Amara, Br. s.s., 1,565, C. J. Mattock, 26th Mar.,—Saigon 21st Mar., Rice and Flour.—J., M. & Co.

Anamba, Dan. s.s., 1,132, P. Cortsen, 26th Mar., —Bangkok 19th Mar., Rice.—Order.

Batavia, Ger. s.s., 7,100, Dempwolf, 12th Mar., Moji 7th Mar., Coal.—H. A. L.

Benalder, Br. s.s., 1,933, C. K. McIntosh, 25th Mar.,—Singapore 18th Mar., Gen.—G., L. & Co.

China, Am. s.s., 3,186, D. E. Friele, 26th Mar., —San Francisco and Shanghai Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co

Daphne, Ger. s.s., 1,299, Schipper, 14th Mar., —Samarang 5th Mar., Sugar.—E. A. T. Co.

Devawongse, Ger. s.s., 1,050, Kümpel, 24th Mar.,—Bangkok 17th Mar., Rice.—B. & S.

Emma Luyken, Ger. s.s., 1,110, Martens, 24th Mar.,—Saigon 17th Mar., Rice and Flour. —E. A. T. Co.

Empress of China, Br. s.s., 3,046, Archibald, R.N.R., 16th Mar.,—Vancouver, B.C., 23rd Feb., and Shanghai 14th Mar., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, Mitchell, 23rd Mar.,—Moji 17th Mar.. Coal—J., M. & Co.

Gaea, Ger. s.s., 625, H. Dahl, 25th Mar.,—Saigon 20th Mar., Rice and Flour.—Chinese.

Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,536, W. E. Sawer, 23rd Mar.,—Moji 18th Mar., Coal—J. M. & Co.

Kashing, Br. s.s., 1,143, Brown, 18th Mar.,—Tientsin and Chefoo 12th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,092, G. S. Weigall, 26th Mar.,—Manila 23rd Mar., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,236, Buhnmann, 26th Mar., —Sourabaya 14th Mar., Sugar.—Order.

Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, S. J. Payne, 25th Mar. —Sandakan 19th Mar., Timber and Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Monmouthshire, Br. s.s., 3,296, Vyvyan, 25th Mar.,—London 6th Feb., Gen.—S., & T. Co.

Nicomedia, Ger. s.s., 2,809, A. Wagner, 21st Mar.,—Manila 15th Mar., Gen.—H. A. L.

Paknam, Ger. s.s., 2,064, A. Denker, 21st Mar., Bangkok 13th Mar., Rice.—B. & S.

Perla, Br. s.s., 1,287, A. H. Notley, 24th Mar., —Kobe and Moji 19th, Gen.—S., T. & Co.

Shansi, Br. s.s., 1,228, J. G. Carnaghan, 23rd Mar.,—Cebu and Iloilo 18th Mar., Sugar and Gen.—B. & S.

Signal Ger. s.s., 907, A. Bendixen, 24th Mar., —Moji 18th Mar., Coal.—J. & Co

Suisang, Br. s.s., 1,776, J. Young, 22nd Mar., —Calcutta 3rd Mar., Gen.—I. C. S. N. Co.

Talbot, Br. cruiser, 5,026, Bazly, 23rd Mar.,— Practice.

Tremont, Am. s.s., 6,195, Garlick, 19th Mar.,— Manila 15th Mar., Hemp—D. & Co., Ld.

Tsinan, Br. s.s., 1,023, Mitchell, 29th Feb.,— Saigon 25th Feb., Rice and Meal.—J., M. & Co.

Tyr, Nor. s.s., 1,718, D. L. Danielsen, 21st Mar.,—Moji 15th Mar., Coal.—S., W. & Co.

Vale of Doon, Sarawack bq., 669, Wesemeier, 24th Mar.,—Rajang, N.W. Borneo 18th Feb., Timber—S., W. & Co.

Wongkoi, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. Reher, 25th Mar., —Bangkok 19th Mar., Rice.—B. & S.

Sailing Vessels.

Algoa Bay, Br. bq., 1,111, Title, 4th Mar.,—Hongay 15th Feb., Coal.—B. & S.

Arrow, Br. 4-masted bq., 2,971, McDonald, 17th Mar.,—from New York, Kerosine Oil. —S. O. Co.

Lyndhurst, Br. masted-bq., 1,879, Parnell, 20th Mar., Kobe 11th Mar., Ballast—S. O. & Co

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:—

Canton—Per *Kinshan*, 29th Mar., 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Haitan*, 29th Mar., 10 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Tacoma—Per *Tremont*, 29th Mar., 11 A.M.
Namtao—Per *Taichun*, 29th Mar., 5 P.M.
Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 29th Mar., 5 P.M.
Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 29th Mar., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per *Hankow*, 29th Mar., 5 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai—Per *Kwongsang*, 29th Mar., 5 P.M.
Macao—Per *Heungshan*, 29th Mar., 1.15 P.M
Shanghai—Per *Loongmoon* 29th Mar., 2 P.M
Kobe—Per *Perla*, 29th Mar., 3 P.M.
Shanghai and Tientsin—Per *Shansi*, 29th Mar., 3 P.M.
Canton—Per *Fatshan*, 30th Mar., 7.30 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Preussen*, 30th Mar., 10.45 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of China*, 30th Mar., 10.45 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Suisang*, 30th Mar., 2 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai—Per *Hangchow*, 30th Mar., 3 P.M.
Canton—Per *Honam*, 30th Mar., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per *Hankow*, 31st Mar., 7.30 A.M.
Manila—Per *Loongsang*, 30th Mar., 3 P.M.
Canton—Per *Powan*, 31st Mar., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per *Honam*, 1st April, 7.30 A.M.
Shanghai—Per *Tientsin*, 1st April, 3 P.M.
Canton—Per *Kinshan*, 1st April, 5 P.M.
Canton—Per *Powan*, 2nd April, 7.30 A.M.
Manila—Per *Rubi*, 2nd April, 9 A.M.
Manila—Per *Rubi*, 2nd April, 9 A.M.
Canton—Per *Fatshan*, 3rd April, 9 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe Yokohama Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *China*, 5th April.
Swatow and Tientsin—Per *Chihli*, 7th April, 3 P.M.
Manila—Per *Zafiro*, 9th April, 9 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Ballaarat*, 9th April.

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—20th February—*Frankby*. 24th February—*Benalder*. 15th March—*Caithness*, *Plitvice*. 4th March—*Artemisia*, *Benlawers*, *Oopack*, *Evandale*, *Cragoswald*. 8th March—*Sikh*, *Heinrich*, *Formosa*, *Jeseric*, *Prinz Jason*. 12th March—*Achilles*, *Wurzburg*, *Marquis Bacquehem*, *Arabia*, *Louis Trader*. 16th March—*Kelvin*, *Armenia*, *St. Meridian*, *Standard*, *Maria*, *Kilda*. 18th March—*Voronej Breitzhuel*. 22nd March—*Hyson*, *Oldenburg*, *Ness*, *Dornoch*, *Orange*, *Palermo*, *Thyra*. 25th March—*Strassburg*, *Arragon*, *Palma*, *Salveig*.

Homeward—9th February—*Nurnberg*. 12th February—*Bayern*. 20th February—*Flintshire*, *Polynesien*. 24th February—*Rosely*. 4th March—*Hudson*. 12th March—*Denbighshire*, *Annam*. 16th March—*Glenlochy*, *Glenshiel*. 18th March—*Yarra*, *Alcinous*, *Alesia*, *Kintuck*.

Arrivals at Home—9th February—*Prometheus*, *Shenandoah*. 12th February—*Kiautschou*. 17th February—*Dardanus*, *Indrani*. 19th February—*Ceylon*. 24th February—*Calchas*, *China*. 4th March—*Yangtsze*, *Glenroy*, *Pyrrhus*. 7th March—*Japan*. 8th March—*Glenfarg*, *Georgian Prince*. 12th March—*Ernest Simons*, *Sachsen*. 16th March—*Ambria*, *Himera*, *Prinsesse Marie*. 18th March—*Lowther Castle*, *Syria*, *Vindobona*, *Marie Valerie*. 22nd March—*Yarra*, *Nestor*. 25th March—*Gera*, *Nubia*.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

March 28th, 1904, a.m.

		Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind		Wr.
Vladivostock	7 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.m.	30.31	—	—	—	o	—
Hakodate	"	30.21	—	—	SE	8	—
Tokio	"	30.10	—	—	NW	6	—
Kochi	"	29.87	—	—	E	4	—
Nagasaki	"	29.95	—	—	NE	4	—
Kagoshima	"	29.91	—	—	NE	4	—
Oshima	"	29.88	—	—	N	4	—
Naha	"	29.89	—	—	N	4	—
Ishigakijima	"	29.93	—	—	E	2	—
Taihoku	5 a.m.	29.95	—	—	E	4	—
Taichu	"	29.92	—	—	—	o	—
Tainan	"	29.91	—	—	N	2	—
Koshun	"	29.91	—	—	—	o	—
Pescadores	"	29.93	—	—	N	6	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.m.	30.10	48	—	S	2	—
Gutzlaff	"	30.19	49	85	NNE	3	cv
Sharp Peak	"	29.93	57	91	—	o	od
Amoy	6.30 a.m.	30.03	60	88	NE	1	o
Swatow	9 a.m.	29.97	65	—	NE	2	o
Canton	"	29.94	75	95	—	o	m
Hongkong	10 a.m.	29.95	75	89	E	1	o
Victoria Peak	"	—	—	—	SE	2	—
Gap Rock	"	29.93	—	—	SE	3	—
Macao	"	29.91	72	—	S	1	mo
Haiphong	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bacolod	9 a.m.	—	—	—	N	2	or
Iloilo	"	29.90	81	—	NNW	2	or
Cebu	"	29.90	81	—	—	o	c
C. St. James	10 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—

Visitors at the Hotels.

Connaught.

Bell, J. Mrs.
Bell, J. F.
Boyce, W. B.
Christie, Mr. & Mrs. D.
Cronin, John
Davis, F. O.
Dufour, Mrs. B.
Dulot, Mme.
Eyre, Mr. and Mrs. H.
Fernandes, J.
Harris, J. D.
Hayter, L.
Heckford, R. G.
Helme, E. B.
Howard, E.
Kempthrone, A. S.
McKilligins, H. G.
Moir, Geo. A.
Newborn, R. H.
Olegario, G.
Pinson, A. V.
Rees, G. C.
Roberts, A. G.
Robertson, W. R.
Rutherford, N. H
Swaby, Thomas C.
Trimin ham. N. S. P
Wakeman, G. H.
Williams, W. H.
Young, W. R.

Hongkong.

Anderson, Mr.
Andrews, C. J.
Black, Mr. and Mrs.
Bates, E. J.
Boggan, Mr. & Mrs. R.
Bonner, E. A.
Bonnet, F.
Borthwick, Mrs. R. W.
Brown, Major Baker
Brown, W. S.
Buck, Hart
Clark, W. G.
Clover, A. M.
Cobbs, T. F.
Coffin, J. W.
Colegrove, R.
Colson, F. S.
Cotton, Miss
Coulson, C H.
Cowden, Mrs. A. R.
Cowden, Miss K.
Croysdale, Mr. & Mrs.
Davies, Mrs. J. T.
Deacon, F. B.
Dean, G.
Derbyshire, J. H.
Douglas, Capt. & Mrs. J.
Downing, J. C.
Dowson, A.
Eastlake, Dr. W.
Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. A.
Farlow, Mrs. G. A.
Farquhrson, W.
Fisher, H. G.
Fox, H. H.
Freeman, Mrs. C. E.
Glover, C.
Grant, A. W.
Grant, L. C.
Griswold, Mrs. E.
Hall, Capt. T.
Hamblin, J. H.
Hamersley, B. F.
Hanck, F.
Harman, B.
Haughwont, W. B.
Hayton, J. T.
Hemans, H. K.
Hooper, Mr. and Mrs.
Hudig, D.
Hughes, Comdr.
Icely, Rev. F.
Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. A. W.
Jenkin Mr. & Mrs. T. F
Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. E. S.
Katsch, E. A.
Kyberg, J.
Kempffer, E.
Kennedy, E. J.
Kingsford, Mr.
Kirkwood, Miss
Kuenzle, A.
Labelle, H. J.
Leggatt, E. A.
Lewis, A. R.
Lewis, J. H.
Macgowan, R. J.
Marriott, Dr. O.
Mast, Sidney
Mast, Mr. and Mrs. E
McAran, T. P.
McLacklan, A.
Meikle, Mr. & Mrs. E.
Mengi, T. M.
Miller, P. L.
Milton, U.S.N., Comdr.
Monro, R.N., Com. C. S.
Moody, C.
Moore, J. H.
Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. E. O.
Nagel, P. A.
Newington, A. G.
North, C. J.
Osborn, Mrs. F.
Osborne, E.
Paget, A. R.
Parfitt, W.
Pattie, Mr. & Mrs. J. A.
Perkins, C. B.
Pike, R.N., Lt. & Mrs. G.
Potter, A. G.
Potts, W. H.
Rosenthal, H. S.
Rettig, Mr. and Mrs.
Rodman, Lt. Comdr.
Sayle, R. T. D.
Schmidt, W. E.
Scidmore, Miss E. R.
Simmers, Mr. and Mrs
Skott, C.
Somerville, Geo.
Stanley, H. H.
Stuart, Capt. and Mrs Leslie C.
Swann, G.
Thomas, C. B.
Thomas, H. T.
Thoresen, O.
Town, J. A.
Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. J.
Whitton, Mrs. A. M.
Wise, Mr. and Mrs.
Wolff, Philip
Woolmer, Mr. & Mrs.
Wright, Mr. and Mrs C. G.

King Edward.

Boker, Dr. C. J.
Brown, Mrs. S. E.
Brown, Kensett
Carter, H. B.
Daves, Mr. and Mrs. A
Eibsloh, A.
Jurriaanse, Capt. N. Van W.
Kent, R.A., Lt.-Col. F. E.
Kent, Mrs. F. E.
Lucas, H. F.
Monson, Mrs. E. L.
Muelle, Ed. (Consul for Peru)
Montagnier, H. F.
Ough, Mr. & Mrs. A. H.
Rays, W.
Rose, Mr. & Mrs. T. J.
Schneeloch, R H.
Stephens, Mr. & Mrs. M. J. D.
Talati, Mr. and Mrs. M. P.
Truman, R. N.
Vaughan, H. S.

Peak.

Ayres, H.
Beattie, J. M.
Beattie, M. P.
Bensen, Major & Mrs.
Benson, Mr. & Mrs.
Bunny, Major and Mrs.
Bunny, Miss
Brawn, Col. L. F.
Chapman, Mr. & Mrs.
Chichester, Major and Mrs. A. A.
Doran, J. C.
Dymock, R.A., A.
Ferrier, Col. & Mrs.
Foote, R.N., Capt. and Mrs.
French, Major G. A.
Grant, R.N., Eng. Lieut. A. R.
Hamilson, Major
Hardy, R.N., Commander and Mrs.
Hewitt, F. T. B.
Holborow, Mr.
Hubbe, F.
Jeffues, H. W.
Lee, Mr. & Mrs. J B.
Lowe, D. R.
Lucas, Dr. H. F.
Lutgens, R.
Martin, R.
McDermott, A. P. B.
Mortimore, Miss E.
Morris, Dr. and Mrs.
Moxon, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert
Ollis, Mr. and Mrs.
Pollock, H. E.
Post, N.
Pratt, Major and Mrs.
Purreaanse, Capt. N. V. W.
Rauchboly, Mr.
Reid, T. H.
Sawer, Mrs. W. E.
Sinclair, A.
Smith, A Findlay
Smith, C. W.
Spalckhaver, W. O. C.
Steles, Mr. and Mrs.
Steavenson, D.
Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. J. and child
Uffel, W. von
Watkins, R.E., Capt. and Mrs.
Watson, Mr. and Mrs.
Wenborn, S. T.
White, Dr. and Mrs. M. J.
Yates, Mr. & Mrs C. C.

Craigieburn.

Austen, R.N., Surgeon and Mrs.
Crafton, R. H.
Dann, G. H.
Duff, J. S.
Gaskell, Mr. and Mrs.
Menocal, D. A.
Staff Helms, W.
Smith, Mr. and Mrs. 'Grant
Smith, Mr. E. Grant
Woodward, Mr. & Mrs. and children

Thomas'

Aldrich, E. R.
Adams, F.
Berrain, C. F.
Clum, E. D.
Coyle, J.
Crego, Mr.
Edward, E.
Engelkin, F.
Giroud, Mr.
Harris, J. D.
Heray, H.
Hough, Dr.
Linn, K.
Marchand, Mrs. L.
Orihash, R.
Perfect, G. G.
Richerson, G. D.
Richy, L. H.
Ross, G. de Torese
Ross, Miss V.
Schurir, Otto
Wal, U.
Whiley, Mr.
Young, L. C.

Kowloon.

Brooks, Mr.
Clark, Lieut. T. F.
Daniel, W.
Iremonger, Lieut. Col. and Mrs.
Mitchell, Mr.
Murchie, Mr.
Schiffman, Dr. R.
Yokura, K.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Stocks.	Paid up Value.	Last Dividend.	To-day's Quotations
Banks.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- & bonus of 10/- @ 1/8½ = $22.99 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	$612½
National Bank of China, Ld....	£ 8	3/6 = $2 for 1903.....	$35
Do. Founders,..	£ 1	None	$10
Marine Insurances.			
Union In. Society of Ct'on, Ld.	$ 100	32 per cent = $32 per share for 1902 ...	$470 b.
China Traders' In. Co., Ld. ...	$ 25	16 % = $1 for year ended 30.4.1903.....	$56 b.
North China In. Co., Ld.....	£ 5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 67½ b.
Yangtsze In. Association, Ld.	$ 60	20 % = $12 for 1901	$130
Canton In. Office, Ld.	$ 50	30 % = $15 per share for 1902	$175 s.
Fire Insurances.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ld. ...	$ 50	$22½ per share for 1902	$282½ b.
China Fire In. Co., Ld.	$ 20	$6 div. & $1 bonus per share for 1902.	$83 b.
Shipping.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ld....	$ 15	$1½ for half-year ending 31.12.1903 ...	$26 b.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ld.....	£ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902.....	$89
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ld..	$ 50	10 % = $5 per share for 1900.....	$22
Douglas Steamship Co., Ld...	$ 50	Div. of $3 for year ended 30.6.1903...	$33 b.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ld	$ 10 / $ 5	$1.20 = 12% for year ending 60 cts. 30'4'03	$30 b. / $18½ s.
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ld.....	£ 1	Interim of 1/- for 1903	19/-
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ld.	Tls. 50	Final of 2 % making 4% for 1903	Tls. 35
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Limited	Tls. 50	Interim of 4 % = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 50 sa.
Do. Preference	Tls. 50	Interim of 3½ % = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 48 sa.
Refineries.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ld.	$ 100	Fin. of $7 making $12 for 1903	$110 b.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ld.	$ 100	$3 per share for 1897	$10 s.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld	Frs. 50	5 % = Tls. 2½ for year ending 30.9.03 ...	Tls. 50 sa.
Mining.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	$ 11	None	$1 s.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Interim of Frs. 30 for 1903.....	$500
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ld.....	£0.18.10.	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	$6½ s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ld.	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 6 sa.
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.....	$ 50	$6 div. & $1 bonus for ½-year 30.6.03...	$205
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ld.....	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for ½-year ending 31.10.1903	Tls. 140 b.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ld.....	$ 50	Final of $2½ making in all $5 for 1903	$93 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ld.....	$ 6½	$2½ for 1902	$37½ s.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ld.	Tls. 100	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 11 for 1903	Tls. 180 s.
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.			
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ld.	$ 100	Final of $6 making $12 for 1903	$145
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ld	$ 30	$2.60 per share for 1903	$35 s.
West Point Building Co., Ld.	$ 50	Final of $1.70 making $3.20 for 1903...	$53 s.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ld. ...	$ 50	$5 for 2nd ½-year 1903	$135 b.
Astor House Hotel Co., Ld.... (Shanghai)	$ 25	2½ % for year ending 30.6.03	$35
Hotel des Colonies Co, Ld (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6 % per year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 15 sa.
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ld.	$ 10	9 per cent. for 1903	$10½
S'hai Land Investment Co., Ld.	Tls. 50	Final of 6 % & bonus of 4 % making 16 % for 1903	Tls. 107 sa.
Cotton Mills.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ld.	$ 10	Final of 60 cents, making $1 for 1902/1903	$14½ s.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.	Tls. 50	8 % for period ended 31.10.1903.....	Tls. 31 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	Tls. 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898 ...	Tls. 25 b.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.....	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898 ...	Tls. 32½ sa.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.1897.....	Tls. 170 s.
Cigar and Tobacco Companies.			
Alhambra, Ld.	$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	$200
Philippine Co., Ld.	$ 10	First year	$10 b.
Shanghai - Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ld.....	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53 b.
Miscellaneous.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	$ 10	12 % = $1.20 per share for 1902	$25
China-Borneo Co., Ld.	$ 12	60 cents per share for 1903	$8 b.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ld.	$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1903	$14 b.
Watkins, Ld.	$ 10	$1 per share for 1903	$6½ ex div.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld.	$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1903	$9
Hongkong Electric Co., Ld.	$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903 ...	$12½ b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ld.	$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903 ...	$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ld	£ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1902	$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ld.....	$ 50	$10 for 1903	$142½
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ld.	$ 25	15 per cent = $3.75 for 1903	$47
Hongkong Ice Co., Ld.	$ 25	Interim of $12 making $16 for 1903 ...	$220
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	$ 100	$20 for year ending 31.11.1903	$300
Dairy Farm Co., Ld.....	$ 6	$1½ for year ending 31.7.1903.....	$12½ b.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ld..	$ 10	Div. of $2½ for 1902	$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.....	£0.12.6.	.....	$5 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ld.	$ 4	90 cents	$9½ b.
Do. Founders.	$ 10	$29.70 for year ending 31.5.03 ...	$210 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ld.	$ 10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year ...	$15½ s.
China Light & Power Co., Ld.	$ 10	None	$5 b.
William Powell, Ld.	$ 10	Interim of 50 cents per share for 1903	$9½ ex div.
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch- en Landbouw exploitatic in Langkat, Limited	Guilders 100	Quarterly dividend of Tls. 10 paid 15 3.1904	Tls. 285 sa.
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ld.	$ 50	First year	$50
South China Morning Post, Ld.	$ 25	First year	$25

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THE WEATHER WILL BE EXCEEDINGLY COLD AFTER YOU PASS PORT SAID ON YOUR WAY HOME AND COLDER STILL SHOULD YOU GO VIA U. S. A. OR CANADA. YET YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE THE SPLENDOUR OF THE MEDITERRANEAN OR PACIFIC SEA BY NIGHT. THEREFORE A TRAVELLING RUG BECOMES A NECESSITY AND WM. POWELL, LTD., ARE PREPARED TO SUPPLY FINE SCOTCH RUGS FROM $8.50 TO $25.00. THESE WILL BE FOUND IN THEIR GENTLEMEN'S DEPARTMENT AT 28, QUEEEN'S ROAD, WHERE THEY ALSO STOCK ALL OTHER TRAVELLING REQUISITES.

BY THE WAY, HAVE YOU HEARD THEY HAVE JUST RECEIVED 19 CASES OF NEW SPRING GOODS WHICH ARE NOW OPENED OUT, AND OTHER LARGER SHIPMENTS FOLLOW TO STOCK THEIR NEW PREMISES IN DES VŒUX ROAD WHICH WILL BE OPENED SHORTLY? ONE OF THE CHIEF FEATURES OF THE BUSINESS WILL BE THE GRAND WINDOW DISPLAY WHICH CANNOT FAIL TO ATTRACT THE ATTENTION OF EVERYONE IN THE COLONY.

N.B.—THE LADIES' DEPARTMENT IS AT PRESENT AT 34, QUEEN'S ROAD (UPSTAIRS).

March 14th.

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